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PSC TO HOLD HEARING IN MAY ON PROPOSED RULE REGARDING EXPANDED LOCAL CALLING

JEFFERSON CITY--The Missouri Public Service Commission will hold a public hearing on **May 16, 2005**, to receive comments on a proposed rule establishing a process whereby a group of people connected by a common calling interest or need could request consideration of a toll-free or discounted calling plan (expanded local calling).

The hearing will be held in Room 310 of the Governor Office Building, 200 Madison Street, in Jefferson City. The hearing is scheduled to begin at 10:00 a.m. The Governor Office Building meets accessibility standards required by the Americans With Disabilities Act. If a customer needs additional accommodations to participate in this hearing, please call the Public Service Commission's Hotline at 1-800-392-4211 (voice) or Relay Missouri at 711 prior to the hearing.

The proposed rule before the Commission would, among other things, establish who may file an application with the Public Service Commission for expanded calling and what information that application should contain.

Anyone can file a statement in support of or in opposition to the proposed rule before the Commission. Statements should be sent to the Secretary of the Missouri Public Service Commission, P.O. Box 360, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102. Comments must be submitted within 30 days of the April 15, 2005, publication date of the proposed rule in the Missouri Register.

Interested individuals may also appear before the Commission at the May 16, 2005, hearing to submit additional comments and/or testimony in either support of or in opposition to the proposed rule.